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Dear Manufacturer:

SUBJECT: Changes to MVEL ADP Timesharing Contract with University of Michigan

The new contract for the EPA Motor Vehicle Emission Laboratory's timesharing computer support has been awarded to Wayne State University. This will necessitate a switch from our current vendor, the University of Michigan. We will be making this conversion throughout the next couple of months. During this time, manufacturers will have to switch their accounts to Wayne State University's system.

EPA has been on the University of Michigan's computer system for approximately fifteen years. However, during that period we have had some experience working with the Wayne State University system. The operating systems are basically identical as both the University of Michigan and Wayne State University use the Michigan Terminal System (MTS) and both operate under the Merit Network System. While some effort will be required by both manufacturers and EPA, no significant problems which would delay the processing of certification and fuel economy data are expected.

For manufacturers who currently have an account on the University of Michigan's computer system and wish to continue submitting data to EPA electronically, the necessary forms to obtain an account on Wayne State University's computer system are enclosed. The existing account names presently in use on University of Michigan's computer system are reserved for you on the Wayne State University computer system. To obtain an account on Wayne State University's computer system, you must complete and submit the Computing Services Center Project Application form to Wayne State University along with a commitment of payment for services when the system is used. If you now have a remote station linked to the University of Michigan's system and wish to continue its operation, you will need to complete the Remote Job Entry (RJE) Application and submit it to Wayne State University.

Note that the Wayne State University system requires a system identifier different to "UM" which is now used to access University of Michigan.

Those manufacturers who previously have not been transmitting data electronically to EPA but wish to start doing so must obtain the Computing Services Center Project Application from the Wayne State University Computing Services Center Billing Office at 313/577-4642. Also if you have Remote Job Entry (RJE) equipment at your facility and would like to use those capabilities on Wayne State University's system, you need to contact Wayne State University Computing Center and request a copy of the Remote Job Entry (RJE) Application form. Further information about Wayne State University's computer system or about equipment needed to communicate with their system is available by contacting Ms. Molly Gordon of Wayne State University at 313/577-5637.

During this transition from one computer system to another, it is possible to have computer accounts on both University of Michigan and Wayne State University systems. The charges are only incurred when the account is used.

MVEL's current contract with the University of Michigan ends on February 29, 1988. However, we will try to switch all routine processing to the Wayne State University system before then. This would require the need to expedite your requests to Wayne State University for your computer account and remote station identification. We at MVEL intend to have all the software existing on University of Michigan's system moved and fully operational on Wayne State University's system by the middle of February. Should we have any difficulty in meeting this schedule, you will be notified as soon as possible. Once you have established your account and remote identification on Wayne State University's system you should contact John Hendon of my staff at 313/668-4383.

A summary is enclosed of some of the significant points regarding this change.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Maxwell, Director Certification Division

Office of Mobile Sources

Enclosure(s)

SUMMARY

What You Need To Do:

- 1. Establish an MTS account with Wayne State University. Request the same account identification as you currently have on the University of Michigan.
- 2. If you have or desire a remote job entry and/or printing station with the University of Michigan, request the same from Wayne State University. If possible, request the same station identification as you now have with the University of Michigan.
- 3. Contact Wayne State University for assistance in moving your files from the University of Michigan system to the Wayne State University system. In most cases moving files will not be necessary, just create and permit new files on the Wayne State University computer to handle electronic transfer of data. Use the following MTS commands to create and permit your files:

\$CREATE filename
\$PERMIT filename FULL (SAQM,SAQR)

Or after all files have been created, issue one command to permit all the files:

\$PERMIT * FULL (SAQM,SAQR)

The asterisk (*) in this case means all files on this account.

4. Notify John Hendon of the Certification Division at 313/668-4383 when the above have been completed.

What Remains The Same:

1. All interactive communication links and access telephone numbers remain the same.

- 2. EPA and manufacturer computer account identifications will remain the same.
- 3. EPA data bases and files currently accessed by manufacturers will remain the same. It is not necessary to reestablish access permission with EPA. Existing file access permissions will be automatically reestablished on the Wayne State University computer system.
- 4. Nearly all manuals remain the same. All EPA programs and procedures will remain the same.
- 5. All system software currently used by EPA such as MICRO and MIDAS remains the same.

What Is Different:

- 1. Location of computer center.
- 2. Remote station telephone numbers.
- 3. Telephone numbers for MTS consulting support.
- 4. HOST identifier to use when signing on to MTS. To access the Wayne State University computer use "WU" instead of "UM."

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